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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence,  
Department of the Army

ATTENTION: Chief, Technical Division

SUBJECT: Geographic Research on the Caribbean

REFERENCES: (a) CIA memorandum dated 20 November 1959 to  
Department of the Army, subject as above  
(b) Department of the Army memorandum dated  
2 December 1959 to CIA, same subject

1. Reference (a) requested assistance in producing certain priority geographic intelligence on areas of the Caribbean. Reference (b) stated that Army resources were currently absorbed in producing similar intelligence for the use of Field Commands.

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2. Subsequent discussions between [REDACTED], and Col. Haberer, Major Alford, and Mr. Mann of Technical Division indicated that a difference in area priorities would prevent concurrent development of the Army and CIA projects. However, it was agreed that consideration would be given to the coordination of effort on a spot basis where particularly urgent requirements were involved.

3. Under present conditions, the Geographic Research Area will be unable to complete its work on Cuba within the time limits set by the requestor. While the bulk of the work on Cuba as specified in Reference (a) is in hand, it is necessary to seek outside assistance in order to fulfill requirements for information on Cuban cities. The requestor has re-confirmed the urgency of the need for this data.

4. It is requested that the appropriate Technical Service be authorized to undertake preliminary compilations on Cuban cities at this time. The desired coverage and data to be included are as shown on Enclosure 1. No attempt should be made to achieve definitive compilation or full exploitation of fugitive sources. Working coordination may be effected with [REDACTED] Code 163, extension 4057. 25X1A9a

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5. Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

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Chief, Geographic Research

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